

My Philosophy of Teaching

I want to be a teacher, not because I want summers off, not because it is considered a “blow off,” job, but because I love kids and love teaching. Coming from a family that loves kids is a big reason why I want to be a teacher. My mom was a pediatric physical therapist at many schools in Birdville ISD. My grandma has taught for a long time. She has taught from second grade all the way into high school, in fact she was my third grade teacher. Having two women in my life that have both worked with kids in some way has made me want to pursue a career dealing with kids, whether that would be child psychology, pediatrics but I realized as I got older that I loved helping kids learn and so that is why I want to become a teacher. My feeling is that every teacher’s goal should be for each of his/her students to move on to the next grade with ease. Yes, they are going to struggle at first but in the long run they should at least know what they are talking about. An effective teacher would be one that shows up to the school everyday looking his/her best, dressed appropriately for the days activities and ready for the day with a smile on their face as their students come in. One of the best teachers I have ever known would have been my freshman and sophomore math teacher Mrs. Cunningham. Mrs. Cunningham inspired me to be not only a better student but showed me an effective teacher. She observed her students to see what motivated them to learn, I look back and think no matter what grade any game or fun thing we did motivated us to want to learn more. Her primary goal everyday was walk into school with a smile and also walk out with a smile. A teacher-students relationship was very important to her, she did not want to be the teacher that was mean all the time and none of her students liked her. Mrs. Cunningham, my mom and grandma inspired me to become a teacher and so this is my philosophy of teaching.